

Opera Lure Lays Hand On Ex-Star

Paris Sees Divorce as Result Of Mme. Walska's Re-awakened Ambition for "Career" on Stage.

Hubby Cruises Alone

By C. F. BERTELLI. Universal Service Staff Correspondent. Special Cable Dispatch.

Paris, July 30.—The lure of grand opera and the insistent voice crying "career" have apparently won the battle for the temperamental and vivacious Anna Walska over her husband, Alexander Cochrane, New York millionaire, and the luxurious ease which his millions gave her.

There is the inevitable talk of a divorce action, but there is absolutely no confirmation of this anywhere in Paris.

Here are the developments leading to the rift in the family tale, according to what could be learned here today.

McCormick Started It.

A few days after Harold McCormick of the Chicago office, arrived at the Hotel Du Rhin in Paris, bearing a pocketful of blank checks needing only the signatures of Mme. Walska and Mary Garden, impressing the Cochrane in their magnificent new mansion at 14 Rue Luheck suffered several abrupt and disconcerting changes.

First Mr. Cochrane cancelled all his engagements, quit Paris, starting in a hurry for Scotland, where his yacht was tied up in the Firth of Forth. He is now cruising lonesomely somewhere in the North sea, dead to even appeals by wireless.

Receives No One.

The next day Mme. Walska hurried, bag and baggage, from the conubial home and flustered down to Dieppe, where she is living in stately solitude in an expensive suite of the Hotel Royal, receiving nobody.

Sounds emanating from the diva's drawing room, however, capped with the fact that her first act was to order a grand piano installed, lend strength to the report that she has finally decided to defy her husband and return to grand opera.

It will be recalled that Mme. Walska was about to appear in "Zaza" in Chicago yesterday and she was seen mysteriously at the last moment.

Hubband Opposed.

Report has it here that her husband was opposed to her appearance on the stage, even if it were in grand opera.

Floating through the windows of Mme. Walska's suite at Dieppe, I learn, come the strains of "Manon," which is most significant in view of the fact that McCormick's contracts concerned that opera.

In Paris the opera circles even go so far as to state positively that Mme. Walska will sing "Manon" next winter in Chicago, but so far as confirmation of the dazzling diva is as much as the sphynx.

May Seek Divorce.

Meanwhile there comes the still more startling report—that Mr. Cochrane, sadly concluding that his millions and his attractive personality weighed for nothing against the call of the opera and the intones of "career"—has decided to institute divorce proceedings in Paris. This cannot be confirmed owing to the secrecy with which all divorces are surrounded, but no Paris lawyers will admit receiving the case.

Indicted White Sox Lay Plans For Long Barnstorming Trip

Chicago, July 30.—Plans for a "barnstorming tour" by former White Sox players charged with conspiring to throw the 1919 world series were being made today as Edward Prindle addressed the jury in the prosecution's closing argument in the base ball trial.

The players elected Eddie Cicotte captain of the team and began work on an itinerary which would include most of the larger cities of the country.

Weaver was the only player on trial who refused to consider the tour. The players who expect to make the trip are Cicotte, Jackson, Williams, Gandil, Risberg and Felsch.

Gen. Wood Again Offered Philippines Governorship

Washington, July 30.—Formal offer of the governorship of the Philippines has been cabled to Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, now making an inspection of the islands as the personal representative of President Harding. The proffered appointment went forward through Secretary of War Weeks, it was learned today, and urged General Wood to accept it, so that he will States and then make the long trip back to the islands. General Wood recently accepted an offer to head the University of Pennsylvania, but the administration is hopeful that he will reconsider this and remain in the Philippines.

Deputy Sheriffs Find Booze in Baby Carriage

Milwaukee, July 30.—Two deputy sheriffs cruising around on motor-cycles in search of prohibition violators, stopped to admire Mrs. Frances Opacinski's children. After patting 4-year-old Victoria they asked to see the baby, but the mother refused to turn back the perambulator's cover, saying the child was sick. Not to be denied, the deputies drew back the covers and found twins—two two-gallon jugs of moonshine. The woman, her husband and the baby carriage were taken to the police station.

Mrs. Dorothy Jobst Files Divorce Suit



Mrs. Dorothy Jobst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Morton, filed suit in district court yesterday for a divorce from her husband, H. R. Jobst.

Mrs. Jobst alleges cruelty, dating from May 1. She offers to cite examples of her husband's alleged cruelty, should he so demand.

Besides reasonable alimony Mrs. Jobst asks the restoration of her maiden name, Dorothy Morton.

The Jobsbs were married at All Saints church June 23, 1919. Mrs. Jobst is known for ability as a pianist.

Rum Smugglers Busy in France

Huge Quantities of Liquor Taken Across Border From Great Britain.

By HENRY WALES. Chicago Tribune Cable, Copyright, 1921.

Paris, July 30.—Although France is not "dry" it is believed there is just as much whisky smuggled into the country as there is into the United States.

Since 1916 the importation of whisky has been prohibited, but nevertheless an average of 500 bottles daily are being consumed. All this whisky is smuggled across the English channel into Dieppe, Havre and other small seaside resorts in yachts, fishing boats and other small craft. Then it is sent to Paris for distribution.

Although the importation of whisky is prohibited there is no law against selling it and contraband whisky is hawked openly all over Paris.

Since the whisky agents pointed out that France was losing millions of francs in customs duties through smuggling, Minister of Finance Doumer has been investigating and it is reported he will issue import licenses to hotels, only refusing to permit the so-called American bars to import whisky.

Smuggled whisky now costs from 150 to 200 francs a bottle and 20 francs a drink, whereas if it were allowed to be brought in it could be sold for six francs a drink.

One Killed and One Injured When Auto Turns Over

Sioux Falls, July 30.—Thomas R. Walsh, 40, an insurance agent, was killed and Ray Fleming, a traveling salesman, suffering a broken arm and other injuries when their automobile overturned at 1 o'clock this morning on the road between Hartford and Sioux Falls. Both men are residents of Sioux Falls and are well known locally. Walsh is survived by a wife and two children.

Iowa Poker Different From Chicago Brand Hawkeye Shark Learns

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Licensed Wire. Chicago, July 30.—Out in Iowa where Jesse Lee resides, they play poker with 52 cards, all of them different, and there are only four aces. Jesse had saved up \$62.37 and came to Chicago. Out in Iowa Jesse was no mean shark at poker, so he did not hesitate when invited to sit in a game. When he emerged he had 37 cents of his capital left.

He happened to look under the table and saw five aces, three deuces and two kings, held between the bare toes of one of his opponents. He remonstrated, whereupon the other players propelled him swiftly to the street.

"You were lucky they threw you out," said the sergeant at the police station. "You still have 37 cents. If you had staid there any longer they would have taken that and also your pants. Better get back to old Iowa before they cut off your ears."

Bomb Tests Show Needs of U.S. Navy

Planes With More Carrying Capacity, Larger Bombs And Better Armored Ships Necessary for Warfare.

Change Urged at Once

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Licensed Wire.

Washington, July 30.—That no time should be lost in strengthening the navy for aerial offense and defense is the general conclusion of the officers who witnessed the sinking of the former German battleship Oestriesland with the one-ton bomb tossed by General Mitchell's army aviators.

The remarkable series of bombing tests which all the powers were closely watching is regarded as indicating conclusively the trend of future development in naval warfare. Gigantic bomb-hurling planes capable of sinking battleships will be perfected, it is believed, while capital ships will be strengthened and equipped to resist and ward off aerial attacks.

Here is a summary of the projects being considered as a result of the observations of the experts at the bombing tests:

1. Building of eight airplane carriers for the navy, for one of which Secretary Denby is to ask congress at once, despite the recent refusal of congress to appropriate for any. The collier Jupiter is being transformed into an airplane carrier, but its speed is only 15 knots, compared with the 30 knots of the British carriers.

2. The adaptation by the chemical warfare service of poisonous gases and the smoke screen effect to light weight bombs which can be dropped by speedy pursuit planes upon the enemy and thus prepare the way for the slower going bomb planes with their destructive freight.

3. The urgent speeding up of experimental production by the aircraft industry of still heavier planes which would carry at least two of the one-ton bombs at a trip, with a mammoth plane that could carry 10-ton bombs, able to destroy the modern battle ship, such as the Pennsylvania, at one blow.

The navy already has in the N. C. type of bombing plane which can carry twice as heavy a load as the Martin bombers which destroyed the Oestriesland, and they will build another type, the "Giant," which will be twice as powerful as the N. C. and four times as powerful as the Martin bomber. On July 18 the army air service issued a call for new designs of extremely powerful and speedy bombing type which will stimulate the best work the country can produce.

4. Rush production of a battle-ship type with heavily armored protective decks, and possibly an armored belt extending from main deck line to keel.

5. Experimental development of some device for battlesh-ship ventilation which would eliminate mustard and poison gases from the intake air, thus safeguarding all interior compartments which are ventilated by forced draft.

6. Development of anti-aircraft gunfire which would be highly effective up to high altitudes. The 30 caliber machine gun used during the test for low flying aircraft will probably be replaced by a .50 caliber gun of the same type, using tracer, armor-piercing and explosive bullets in alternation for ranges up to 3,000 feet. And a 4.7 anti-aircraft type will probably be rushed through production to replace the 3-inch gun used chiefly during the war.

7. Development of a 4,000-pound bomb in the immediate future and experimental work on about 10-ton type (up to the 10-ton size) in the course of the fiscal year. Especially will experiments be directed toward the perfecting of an armor piercing aerial bomb, one of which was all ready for test on the Oestriesland.

8. Rapid increase and organization of a larger air service to supplement the coast defense organization and protect our great length of sea coast from all kinds of attack.

9. Production of amphibious aircraft, which can land either on land or sea with equal ease and safety.

Unsuccessful Attempt Is Made to Rob Mitchell Bank

Mitchell, S. D., July 30.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the Security State bank at Ethan, Mitchell, Ind., reported to have been missing since a week. He told his parents he was going to climb Long's peak. They had planned to leave for Cheyenne the day he started on the climb, but postponed departure, thinking their son would return. Rangers found no trace of the youth around Long's peak.

WHERE TO FIND The Big Features of The Sunday Bee

"The Oak From The Acorn." A Blue Ribbon Short Story Of Comedy and Near Tragedy—Part 4, page 1.

"The Bogie of Fear," Arthur Somers Roche Serial—Part 4, page 3.

"World's Greatest Detective Cases," "How Inspector Fowler Caught Brinkley, The Poisoner"—Part 4, page 6.

Beautiful Summer Homes of Omahas at Lakoma and Carter Lake Clubs—Rotogravure Section, page 1.

Sports, News and Features—Part 3, pages 1 and 2.

Editorial Comment—Part 4, page 4.

For the Children—Part 4, page 2.

Going Through," by James J. Montague—Part 3, page 2.

Parliament Members Find Prohibition Is On Job in America

New York, July 30.—Lord Northcliffe's jocular attitude toward prohibition as indicated by his question "Where is it?" shortly after his arrival here is not shared by two British members of parliament who arrived on the Baltic last Monday. They report having found it everywhere on a diligent tour of investigation.

J. E. Davidson of Smetwick, in Birmingham, and C. H. Schick of Staffordshire, came primarily to investigate American labor conditions. One of the first matters into which they enquired was whether the working man could get a drink when he wanted it.

"Your Volstead law is most efficient," was their comment at their apartment in the Biltmore.

Telephone Girls Close Ice Fund With \$100 Check

Telephone company employees made a grand closing for The Bee milk and ice fund, with a gift of \$100. The 1921 total is close to \$1,200.

The check was delivered Saturday by Miss Mollie Jones, welfare supervisor for the "hello" girls.

"A 5 cent levy was agreed upon in all the exchanges and a gift in each appointed to make the collections," Miss Jones explained.

To Continue Movement. The substantial gift will go a long way toward continuing the daily provision of milk in the homes of poor kiddies of Omaha, long after the hot summer days are past, according to Miss Florence McCabe of the Visiting Nurse association, which administers the fund.

The fact that letters addressed to the fund, "came under the line" with another \$5 gift yesterday. A \$10 gift for "Our Baby Boy" came from an officer stationed at Fort Crook.

The total showing of the 1921 fund is as follows:

Previously acknowledged \$1,037.58

N. C. B. 2.00

A. Friend, City, Neb. 2.00

Friend, City, Neb. 2.00

Unknown 2.00

Unknown 1.00

"Our Baby Boy" 10.00

Girls of church 18.00

Stenographer dept., W. O. W. 5.00

Telegraph office, Virginia Bldg. 1.00

A. Friend 5.00

Total \$1,102.58

Condition of Norris Reported Improved

Washington, July 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Improvement in the condition of Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, was reported tonight. The senator, who collapsed in the senate Thursday and whose condition has been a matter of concern to his friends, was able to take some nourishment late today, and it was said he is better in other respects.

Whether he will be able to return to the senate next week was said to be still in doubt.

Park Rangers Seek Missing Boy Who Tried to Climb Peak

Estes Park, Colo., July 29.—National park rangers are searching for Gregory Aubuchon of Michigan-town, Ind., reported to have been missing since a week. He told his parents he was going to climb Long's peak. They had planned to leave for Cheyenne the day he started on the climb, but postponed departure, thinking their son would return. Rangers found no trace of the youth around Long's peak.

Richmond Dies in Boston

San Francisco, July 30.—Maurice F. Lowenstein, San Francisco merchant, who has been active in far eastern trade, died in a Boston hospital last night to which he was rushed for an operation owing to sudden illness developing on a train, according to private advices received here. He was president of the Pacific Commercial company with headquarters in New York, and was 51 years old.

Burlington Fined \$900 for Working Men Over 9 Hours

The Burlington railroad yesterday entered in federal court plea of guilty to nine charges of violation of the interstate commerce laws by working telegraph operators more than nine hours in 24. Federal Judge Woodruff fined the road \$100 on each count.

Relief of Disabled Veterans



The noble promises of Congressman Flapdoodle during the war.



The performance of Congressman Flapdoodle nearly three years after the war.

Missing Chicago Banker Believed To Be in Detroit

Detectives Abandon Search in Southern States—Think Fugitive Planning to Cross Canadian Border.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Licensed Wire. Chicago, July 30.—Search for Warren G. Spurgin, fugitive president of the wrecked Michigan Avenue Trust company, centered today in and around Detroit. The search at Mobile and Irvington, Ala., has been abandoned and it is regarded as certain that Spurgin had been in that locality he departed several days ago.

The Detroit letters addressed to him and delivered to a man of his description is now considered as evidence that it was part of the scheme to throw detectives off the trail.

It is now said that a man who has been positively identified as Spurgin rode through the streets of Detroit last Wednesday in a taxicab. It is the theory that he has been unable to slip into Canada and may be hiding in Detroit, growing a beard and otherwise disguising himself before he attempts to get across the border.

John A. Conrad, vice president of the wrecked bank, accompanied by the attorney, went into conference today with the state authorities. Conrad rose from the position of a \$90 a month clerk to that of vice president in a very short time. He says he had the utmost faith in Spurgin and always obeyed his orders without question.

Another woman friend of the missing banker was located today. She is a divorcee and Spurgin wanted to give her the position of bookkeeper in his Ouray mines. For this purpose she frequently accompanied him to the bank after business hours, where he gave her courses in bookkeeping to fit her for the proposed position.

There is still hope that the depositors will fare better than at first supposed, but the stockholders of the looted institution will be hard hit.

Wealthy New York Woman Commits Suicide on Coast

Santa Barbara, Cal., July 30.—Mrs. Charles Slavson wealthy New York woman, whose body was found on a pleasure pier at Miramar, near here today, committed suicide by shooting, according to a coroner jury's verdict. Mrs. Slavson had been in ill health for some time.

Prior to taking her life, Mrs. Slavson was driven to the beach near the pier where the chauffeur was ordered to return home.

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According to the petition, a cinder from the engine struck on the back of her neck and lodged in the waist of her gown, the object burning so deeply that an operation was necessary to remove it.

Former Soap Box Orator Now Big Figure in Russia

Ex-Organizer for I. W. W. in America Minister of Transportation-Communication in Native Land.

By CHARLES DAILEY. Chicago Tribune Cable, Copyright, 1921.

Chita, July 30.—One of the reddest of the reds during his 10 years in America, Vladimir Shatoff, who was an I. W. W. organizer, an inmate of many jails and who was arrested 14 times in Detroit alone, has come back to his native land and now holds the most important job in the far east republic.

This ardent communist is more American than Russian and his one regret is that he is classed in the United States as an undesirable alien. Now, at the age of 35, he is minister of transportation and communications, which is a distinguished job.

He told the Chicago Tribune's correspondent that his whole ambition was to make the far east republic another America.

"We have taken the American constitution," he said, "and brought it up to date. All well. Mrs. Harding greatly refreshed. Making over schedule amid excellent conditions. Inspection this morning revealed fine crew aboard the Mayflower. Greetings to all the office force."

Pageant of Progress Is Opened in Chicago

Chicago, July 30.—Chicago's Pageant of Progress, hailed as the city's greatest industrial exhibit since the World's Columbian exposition of 1893, opened this morning at the Municipal pier. Vice President Coolidge in Boston pressed a button which set the exposition in motion.

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis was to deliver the principal address and a radio greeting from President Harding aboard the Mayflower enroute to the Pilgrim celebration was to be a feature.

Three miles of exhibits, showing the strides that have been made in various branches of industry and business within the last few years, feature the exposition, which will last for two weeks.

Mount Blanc Is Conquered By Air Pilot of Switzerland

Chamonix, France, July 30.—(By The Associated Press.)—Mount Blanc, the highest summit of the Alps, was conquered today by an aviator.

The successful airman was Durand, a Swiss flyer, who had previously failed in two attempts to land on the summit. Today, setting out from Lausanne, he rose to a great height and ultimately effected a landing on the mountain peak 15,782 feet above the sea level.

Taking off from the summit Durand made a favorable descent, finally landing at Chamonix.

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Two Killed In Denver Air Derby

Pilot and Observer in Race Die as Plane Falls 15 Feet—Bodies Crushed by Engine.

Hundreds See Accident

By The Associated Press. Denver, July 30.—While hundreds of spectators looked on at an air carnival here this afternoon, Pilot Ross E. Poland of Cameron, Mo., and George W. Linger, prominent Denver automobile man, were almost instantly killed when their plane crashed scarcely 15 feet to the ground at the take-off of an air derby.

Both were in an Italian plane, one of the six participating in a 24-mile handicap race, one of the features of the three-day air carnival, given under the auspices of the Sons of Colorado at a local aviation field.

Struck by Motor. Pilot Poland had banked his plane just after the take-off and it settled quickly, lost speed and crashed, nose first, into the ground. The heavy motor was thrown against the bodies of the pilot and Linger, acting as one of the judges of the race. Poland was dead when spectators reached the demolished plane. Linger lived a few minutes. Their necks were broken and both were terribly crushed.

Poland, a former service man, had been employed as an instructor at the local aviation field for several months, coming here from Colorado Springs. He was about 30 years old.

Victim Widely Known. Linger, who was 61 years old, was a member of a local automobile sales agency and was one of the six citizens who accompanied the pilots in the air derby to keep a record of the altitude at which the planes were supposed to fly. He was widely known throughout the west as a cattle man.

The other pilots, not noticing the accident, continued the race, which was won by Pilot Paul Meng. The body of the plane was splintered as far as the back of the second seat.

Samson Gives First Matinee Performance For Elks of New York

Shaw-Sar-Ben held its first matinee show at the Den yesterday afternoon in honor of 100 New York Elks, members of lodge No. 1 of that city.

The New Yorkers are passing through the city from Los Angeles to New York. They remained here several hours.

Carl Wanderer Is Kept Busy Driving Spooks From Cell

Chicago, July 30.—Carl Wanderer, who would have dropped through the gallow's trap Friday morning but for intervention by the American Legion, kept day with hysterical shouts and efforts to break down his cell door.

He clambered up the barred sides of the cell, screaming and yelling and carrying on an imaginary conversation with ghosts. At times he addressed his murdered wife, begging her not to "meet her in Heaven." At other times he ordered intruding spirits out of his cell.

Wanderer's guards merely laughed and shrugged their shoulders at these manifestations. They say he is pretending madness in order to strengthen his chances when the supreme court reviews his claim of insanity.

Ku Klux Klan Believed to Be Operating in Salt Lake

Salt Lake City, July 30.—An attack on Mr. and Mrs. John Skola by five white masked men at their home last night has led the police to believe that members of the Ku Klux Klan, who have created a reign of terror in the southern states, are beginning to operate here. Both Mr. and Mrs. Skola were knocked unconscious by the thugs, according to the report to the police today. The house was ransacked, but no valuables were taken, and the victims are at a loss to account for the object of the search of their assailants.

Father of Slain Major Asks If Slayer Will Be Tried

Tacoma, Wash., July 30.—Maj. Gen. Adelbert Cronkhite, father of the late Maj. Alexander P. Cronkhite, today telegraphed District Attorney Seiden of this county asking what action Mr. Seiden proposed to take against Serg. Roland R. Pothier, who has confessed that he shot and killed Major Cronkhite.

Because Pothier later repudiated the confession and for other reasons, Mr. Seiden telegraphed back that his office is awaiting further investigation of the case by federal officials before taking any action.

The Weather

Forecast. Fair Sunday; not much change in temperature.

Hourly Temperatures table with columns for time and temperature.